

UPCOMING EVENTS

Graduation Dates to Remember

Wednesday, May 9- Graduation practice, in Mabee Fieldhouse at 4 p.m.

Friday, May 11- Barbecue, in the Marian Center Dining Room at 6 p.m.

Saturday, May 12- Recognition Ceremony, in Goppert Theater at 10 a.m.

Saturday, May 12- Baccalaureate Mass, Goppert Theater at 3 p.m.

Saturday, May 12- Graduation ceremonies, Mabee Fieldhouse at 5 p.m.

Radiological Science Students

The Radiological Science students competed in the annual Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologist's conference in Osage Beach, Mo.

Essay competition prizes were awarded to: Pam Vader, first place; Sarah Curtis, second place; Beth Duffelmeyer, third place; and Mark Moreland, honorable mention.

Mucho Mayo Carnival

Thursday, May 3 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., G.A.P. is having a Big Enchilada Event with games, prizes, and more in the quad to celebrate Cinco de Mayo.

THE TALON

Huber set to retire at end of season

SARA MALEY
Staff Writer

Going! Going! Gone! This time it is not a home run, but a final at-bat for head baseball coach Jim Huber. After 10 successful years of coaching at Avila, Huber has called it a game by sending in his resignation, effective June 30.

Stating that changes made within the athletic department this year influenced his decision to resign, Huber said that he hates leaving Avila, but that it is time for someone else to take over the program.

"I don't like it that I'm leaving, but it's time for me to move on. There have been four athletic directors since I came here, each with their different rules. It's hard to adjust to many of these changes," Huber said. "I don't want to fight battles anymore."

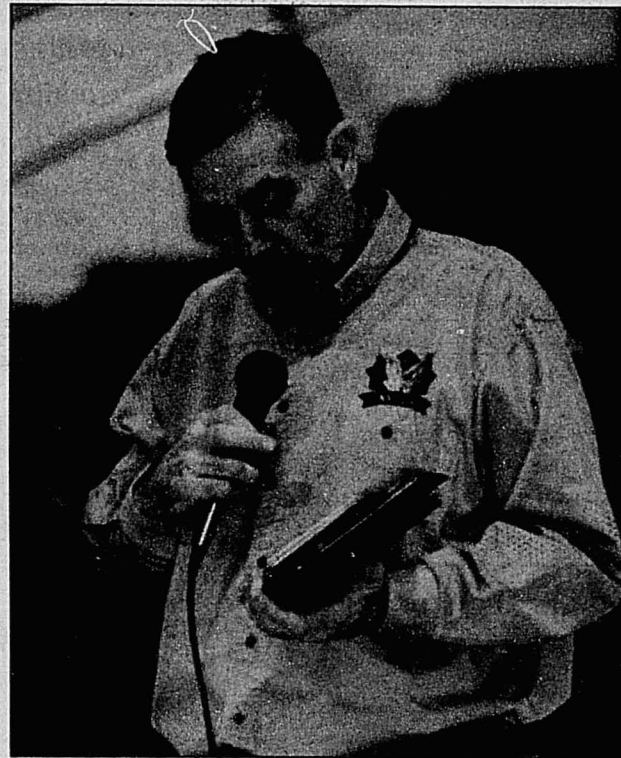
Huber disagrees with several changes taking place within the department next year, and feels that his program will be affected negatively.

"I don't like the new policies that are coming for next year. The gym will only be used as a basketball or volleyball court. Outdoor sports will not be able to use the only facility Avila has to offer, so baseball, softball, football and soccer will have to find a building off campus to practice in when the weather is bad," Huber said.

Another reason Huber feels it is time for him to leave is that the annual athletic banquet held in late April has been discontinued.

"It seems like everything good within the athletic department has been done away with, including the banquet.

"Coaches are now being encouraged by



Head baseball coach Jim Huber received three "Coach of the Year" awards for the 2000 season. After 10 years in the position, Huber is slated to retire after the end of this season.

photography by: Karen Guber

the A. D. to have their own banquet to honor their players and hand out awards. That's really hard for baseball and softball to do because our seasons are at the end of the year. When they are over, so is the school year and people scatter all over the country, making it hard to recognize those who received awards," Huber said.

Huber feels that for the first time since he has been here at Avila, the athletic department is no longer focused on the needs of the athletes.

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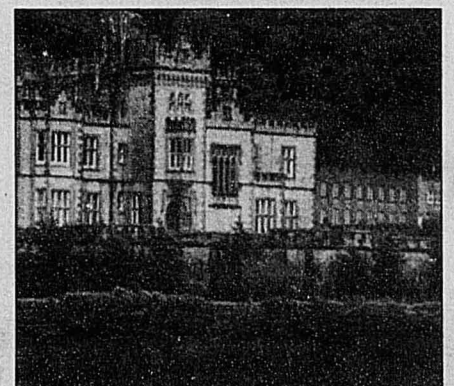
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Ireland trip awaits

Avila College may become Avila University

FUMIKO HARA
Staff Writer

Avila College is now considering changing its name to Avila University. The term college now has a connotation of describing a community college, according to Avila officials.

The purpose is to clarify that Avila is a private, four-year institution of higher education, in order to separate it from a community college that is a public institution with only a two-year education.

"Avila is ready to become a university because Avila grants master's degrees," Tom Gordon, President, said.

Avila also does not want to fall behind other schools in the Kansas City metropolitan area that have changed their names to university such as Park, Mid-America Nazarene, and Rockhurst Universities. According to Academic Dean Sr. Marie Joan Harris, Avila and William Jewell Colleges, are the only two four-year colleges in the metropolitan area that have not changed their names to university yet.

"I think the title better reflects who



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we are as an educational institution," Harris said. By clarifying Avila's identity, it can attract more students, especially those who prefer bigger names like international students, Harris explained.

Bruce Inwards, international student adviser, said that the name is very

important for international students because in some countries, four-year undergraduate institutes are normally known as universities. If Avila changes its name, he will no longer have to explain to students overseas that Avila

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Athletic Director Gary Sharpe disagrees and feels that the policies are for the good of the athletic department and will benefit the athletes in years to come.

"We are trying to clean up this place and make it a professional facility. In three years, no one in an outdoor sport will even think to practice in the gym," Sharpe said. "If a coach doesn't agree with the policies, there will be someone to come in and take over and the program will go on."

In 1990, Huber accepted the assistant baseball coaching position for the young program, which had yet to complete a winning season.

"The program was in its fourth year when I came. They told me that the team would never have a winning season, and I took that as a challenge to prove them wrong. I built the program on that challenge," Huber said.

He proved them wrong that year and every year since, and has achieved recognition as the most successful coach in the history of the college.

"Coach has never had a losing season and last year he won the Conference, Regional and AABC Coach-of-the-Year. Not only that, but he won 50 games: the most in Avila's history," Assistant Coach Jeremy McGowan said.

In addition to being a full-time baseball coach, Huber also works for the maintenance department, focusing on lawn and field work, with little compensation. In 1995-96, all the money he made from maintenance was put back into the program to help further his players.

"Huber is one of the most dedicated people I know. I've seen him sit at the hospital all night with an injured player and have them over for dinner on holidays," Athletic Department Manager Cindy Freeman said. "He has a heart the size of the world when it comes to other people, especially his

players."

Huber said that it is the association with his athletes and the love of coaching baseball that has kept him here at Avila.

"I have 41 great guys on my team. I get new players each year and I love

seeing them grow from season to season," Huber said. "Next year I'll be right there in the stands cheering them on. They are the reasons I've had so much fun. They keep me young."

Junior infielder Mike Beckett feels that it will be the upperclassmen who will suffer the most from Huber's resignation.

"This is a really big deal for the upperclassmen because we are so used to him being around. We know his style and he is always bringing laughter to the team. He's a great coach and a great guy, and there's nothing more

to say about him," Beckett said.

"He is the only reason I'm here at Avila. He knows what it takes to win and I'm disappointed that I won't get to have him for the rest of my college career," freshman infielder Josh Ballinger said.

"In the two years I have been here, I have never heard a negative comment about that man by students, faculty or staff," junior pitcher/outfielder Rob Jackson said. "It's really sad that it's had to come to this, because Avila is losing a great coach."

Other coaches feel that Huber's resignation will be a loss to the school, as well as the athletic department.

"It's going to be hard to accept the changes, but there are a lot of really great things going on here," Head Football Coach Tim Johnson said. "Coach Huber is a great recruiter, and a great baseball coach. I extend my thanks to him for the decade of great service he has provided Avila College."

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is at university level even though it is called a college.

"It would benefit me because it is easier for university students to get a job than college students in Taiwan," junior Hung-Jui Hsu said.

University sounds more prestigious and sophisticated not only to international students, but also to some American students.

"I feel more comfortable with university because it sounds more reputable," sophomore Mandy Schick said.

Some students gave positive comments, but some others have different opinions.

"It is not the name of the school that needs to be changed, but what is going on in the school that needs to be changed," sophomore Molly Kennedy said.

The proposal is now under consideration by the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board before the official proposal is turned in to the Board of Trustees that will make a final decision.

"The benefits could be significant, but we need to do an analysis of the costs and the timing of such a change," Gordon said.

Vice President for Fiscal Affairs John Scarpitti has analyzed what the college needs to change and the costs of changing the name. According to Scarpitti's analysis, Avila needs to change all stationery, the official university seal, logo, signs outside, products in the bookstore, and websites with the name of Avila College. Further research on cost will be done.

Gordon said that Avila should make a decision within a year. The current freshmen, sophomore, and junior students may have benefits for their future if they graduate from "Avila University."

Ed Higgins leaving Avila

KATIE BOYLE

Staff writer

Head of Food Services Ed Higgins is leaving Avila College after almost seven years of serving.

"Ed has been an incredible asset," Associate Dean for Student Affairs Alicia Hofmann said.

Higgins is the Sodexo-Marriott representative on campus. He is in charge of all the catering done on campus for events as well as meals served in the cafeteria and snack bar.

"Working in the food service industry is hard and demanding. Your next project is lunch, then dinner plus catering too," Higgins said.

"Ed Higgins is very willing to work with the student organizations and academic departments to plan special events," Hofmann said. G.A.P. (Group Activities Programming board) has worked with Higgins often.

Sara Peters, vice president of G.A.P., worked with Higgins in arranging the food for Homecoming, the Halloween dance, the Mardi Gras party, the Spring Fling Carnival Picnic and more. Higgins succeeded at handling all requests.

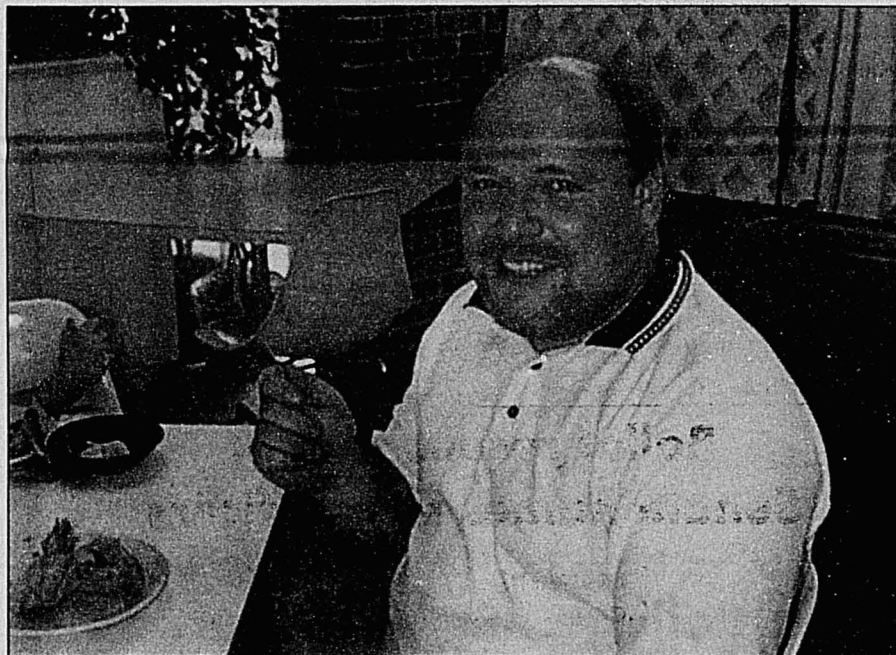
"Ed was always flexible and easy to work with. We could ask him for about anything and he would be willing to work with us," Peters said.

It is a time of transition. Higgins will be leaving Avila in late May or early June.

"If it had to happen, this is probably the best time for it to happen," Hofmann said. The administration has some changes for Avila's food and services on the horizon.

Student Life is currently investigating meal plan options, dining room renovations and the overall transformation of the dining services and facilities. The changes will begin for the fall semester of 2001, and continue changing for the fall of 2002, Hofmann explained.

Food services are in transition for the



Ed Higgins sets his fork down for the last time.

photography by: Megan Bridge

next few years. Hofmann is confident that Sodexo-Marriott will choose a competent individual.

However, Higgins will be missed.

"He is passionate about the best interests of Avila and its students," Hofmann said.

Higgins is leaving to go back home to Iowa. His father passed away a few years ago, and ever since, his wife, Kathy Higgins, has wanted to move back.

"My wife has been wanting to go up there for the past four years," Higgins said. They plan to open a daycare center once they move to Iowa. Higgins also wants to spend more time with his family: his mother, brothers, sister, and his four-year-old son.

The "family feel" is one thing that has kept Higgins at Avila for so long. "It's gonna be hard to leave. I've had a great time working with my staff and the people of Avila," Higgins said.

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Student SENATE NOTES

Allowing students' voices to be heard

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Dining service options were introduced by Joe Deighton to Student Senate. Stemming from student complaints about the current services and meal plans offered, two alternatives were created. A carte blanche meal plan would allow students to enter the cafeteria at any time and with unlimited visits. The hours for the cafeteria would then be 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

An advantage to this plan is that students can eat when it is convenient for them. Another benefit is the possibility of no missed meals and full usage of the meal plan by students. The carte blanche plan also offers the advantage of eliminating the wait in a line, as meal times will vary from student to student.

The major disadvantage is the cost. Deighton estimated the plan would be a dollar more per meal. Exact figures will be produced at a later time. The increased cost will cover expenses to keep the services available for 12 hours.

Another drawback is the boredom of having the same food presented for a certain length of time. However, this meal plan is designed to fit the college student's busy schedule.

The second option is a block meal plan. This plan is similar to the current plan, except the students can pay a certain amount for a certain number of

these visits whenever and however he or she desires. The visits can also be distributed to other diners at the discretion of the student. The block plan is designed to cater to the individual's needs.

Deighton further explained the possibility of both options being available to students. This is dependent upon the amount of interest shown for each meal plan.

A program implementing a card for the student to swipe upon entering the cafeteria is also proposed. The card would help determine what meal plan a student is using, and those on the block plan would know how many visits remain on their plan.

Along with changes to the meal plan, modifications to the structure of the cafeteria are also being considered. Additions would include new tables and chairs, and stations of food to designate a specific type of food. For instance, one station may have pasta where another may serve burgers and fries.

Another change includes the possibility of snack bar options and services moving into the cafeteria. Students who frequent the snack bar would be able to have a sandwich from the grill, use the salad bar, or could purchase any other refreshments. These options are being considered for the

Where does my money go?

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Staff Writer

New recruits are anticipating the feel of college life. Before long all will have passed through the registrar's office at least one time, making sure that classes are finalized for the fall 2001 semester.

Just as soon as the summer sun rises on a well-deserved three-month break, it happens. That white envelope containing the small, yet important part of college business that many would like to forget arrives.

"I owe how much? This must be a mistake, I only enrolled for one semester, right?"

As unpleasant as it may be, the payment of tuition holds a key role in the big picture of the school budget. But where does the money go? The short answer to this question is—many different places.

However, before the school can start spending money, Avila's budget committee must assemble and determine the exact areas from which they will draw revenue.

Based on the budget plan for fiscal year 2000-2001, 85 percent of all revenue acquired by the college is provided by the students through tuition charges, room and board, and bookstore sales. The other 15 percent is collected from contributions in the form of gifts and grants, interest earned on an endowment income and other miscellaneous areas such as the Montessori school.

Once all the projected revenue is determined, the committee can start planning where the money should go. Thirty-six cents of every dollar collected goes toward faculty and library salaries, benefits and the purchase of classroom equipment, supplies, books, periodicals, and computer labs.

Eighteen cents of every dollar goes toward financial aid programs such as grants, scholarships, and work study. Another 18 cents from every dollar goes toward the general administrative

staff, business insurance, consulting, computer services and telephone costs.

Twelve cents of every dollar goes toward student affairs such as the registrar, financial aid, admissions, athletic programs, the ILCP program and student services. Nine cents of every dollar goes toward the residence halls, food services, and the purchase of bookstore goods.

Finally, five cents from every dollar collected by the school goes toward maintenance and utilities for the entire campus.

However, for the first time in two years, the college has two percent of the collected revenue left over. This means the committee must decide what to do with the extra money.

"We might place it in the investment endowment, put it toward technical needs, or use it for capital improvements," Laura Brenton, controller, said.

When it comes down to it, the school is financially supported by the students themselves which is a necessity since private colleges receive no funding from the city, state, or federal government because they are considered a non-profit organization. So what do students think about where the money goes?

"In regards to the Mabey Fieldhouse, I think they've chosen to spend their money well," sophomore Kimberly Brim said. "Other areas, like the dorms, could use more money so they can be fixed up."

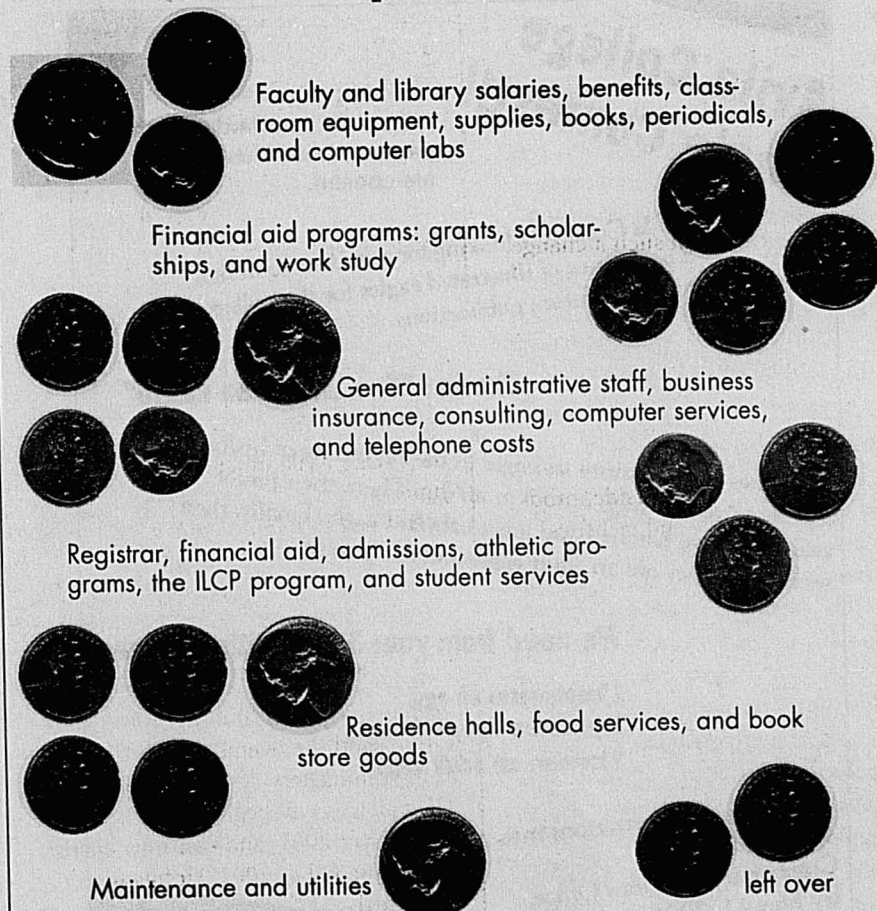
"There's always room for improvement, but I think they're doing a good job considering the amount of money they have to spend," Associate Librarian Michael Brown said.

Students may also have a say in where that money goes. Any students wanting to discuss budget needs or propose suggestions are urged to go to the student affairs office and voice their comments and concerns.

Ballot results are in: Senate names new officers

- ☒ **President**
Candice Frede
- ☒ **Vice President**
Molly McGregor
- ☒ **Secretary**
Megan Redenbaugh
- ☒ **Nursing Senator**
Mary Ingalls
- ☒ **Natural and Allied Health
Science/Mathematics Senator**
Avery Abernathy
- ☒ **Business Senator**
Michelle Marsey
- ☒ **Humanities Senator**
Jamie Cox (candidate not yet confirmed)
- ☒ **Education/Psychology Senator**
Erin Gray
- ☒ **Social Science Senator**
Crystal Gardner
- ☒ **Student Body Senators**
Christina Epstein
Sarah Robinson

How Avila spends each dollar



The use of recycled tires

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With the help of technology and innovation, old, wornout tires can now be recycled. The Avila Montessori Pre-School received a partial grant of \$5,000 from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to purchase 15.5 tons of recycled tires which will be used to enhance safety for the children and to provide a more durable, high-traffic playground.

According to Carol Frevert, director of health and child care services, the estimated cost was \$7,000.

Frevert said the teachers have seen playground injuries decrease. The recycled tires replaced the wood chips that were on the playground last year.

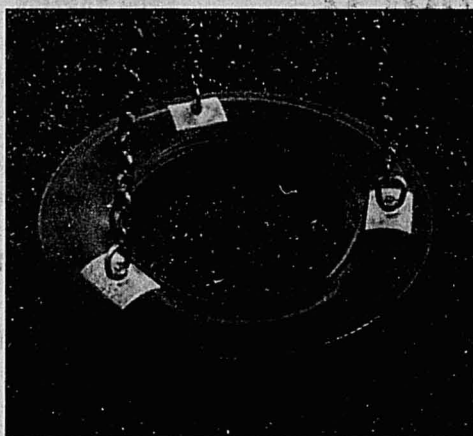
"The wood chips caused a lot of injuries and kids had splinters all the time," Julie Saviano, child care coordinator, said. "The kids used to have a

lot of bumps and bruises, but now when they fall, they just hop (up) and go. The kids prefer the recycled tires. The recycled tires are very cushiony and that's a big plus," she said.

"When the kids fall, they slide. It feels like a trampoline," Frevert said. "The ground is soft and the children can run and play, and feel safe."

Saviano said the children think of the recycled tires as a "treasure hunt. They bury things and try to find it. It is an added aspect of having the recycled tires," she explained.

The recycled tires cover approximate-



Old tires are used for more than just swinging around the playground. They are also used to keep children safe by padding the ground.

photography by: Megan Bridge

ly 16,000 square feet of play area around the children's equipment. The recycled tires are 100 percent Missouri tires and comply with the requirement of the DNR proposed vendor to cover eight inches in depth of the playground area. The requirement also states that the playground be entirely

fenced in for the children's safety.

The Avila Montessori pre-school and childcare service has been in operation for over 20 years. It provides quality instruction and supervision to 80 students each year. The children range from two to seven years old.

Face-lift for fall

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Staff Writer

Summertime means make-over time for Ridgway and Carondelet Halls. Next year, students will return to an improved "home away from home." Maintenance, housekeeping, food service and the residence life staff are going to work tirelessly through the summer, in order to prepare the residence halls for next fall.

Last summer, two floors received new blackout drapes. Two more floors will receive the new drapes this summer. Some floors will get new bed frames that can be transformed into bunk beds.

"I think bunkable beds are a good idea because they will save students a lot of space," freshman Amanda Brock

said.

The elevators will also get updated. "I am incredibly passionate about covering the walls in the elevator," Associate Dean of Students Alicia Hoffmann said. The elevator walls will be recovered with a "wipe-downable" linoleum product.

The third and sixth floors will be recarpeted. One floor and the stairways in both buildings will receive a fresh coat of paint.

However, some summer improvements to the residence halls went unnoticed by students last year. Last summer, all the smoke detectors were replaced. This summer, the maintenance staff will be putting new outlets

in the kitchens and bathrooms. These improvements keep the halls up-to-date.

Not only are the buildings undergoing changes, so is the residence life staff.

Assistant Residence Hall Director Anthony Hall will not be returning next fall. Therefore, the school is currently interviewing candidates for director of residence life. Additionally, there will be five new resident assistants.

"The residence life staff will be great next year. We all get along and know each other. I'm looking forward to working with all of them," junior RA Becca Smith said.

"I think the new staff will be a lot of fun. Everyone will come back next fall energetic and full of new ideas," junior RA Tina Epstein said.

Food services will also be receiving a face-lift over the summer. In cooperation, Avila and Sodexo-Marriot will offer students a new kind of dining experience.

Some of the new ideas include a swipe card system, carte blanche plan (the cafeteria would be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.), new furnishings, and possibly a new cafeteria set-up. The cafeteria will begin the fall semester with a new food service director.

Avila College Eagle Contest!!

Prizes will be awarded to the person whose illustrations are chosen.

Avila College is looking for a student to design a new series of illustrated eagles for the college to use on future publications.

Theme: "The Life of an Eagle"

The series is to illustrate an eagle in the beginning of his/her sophomore year in high school as an egg. Then, their junior year they have hatched and are a baby/kid eagle. Finally, their senior year they are an adult eagle and ready to fly.

We need from you: 3 eagle illustrations

- 1)sophomore: an egg
- 2)junior: a baby/kid eagle
- 3)senior: an adult eagle

Please turn all illustrations into:
Jeff Randolph
Community Relations Office
By May 11, 2001

Finals Schedule

If your class meets:

8-8:30 a.m.	MWF
9-9:30 a.m.	MWF
10-10:30 a.m.	MWF
11-11:30 a.m.	MWF
12:30-1:20 p.m.	MWF
9-10:15 a.m.	MW
10:30-11:45 a.m.	MW
12:30-1:45 p.m.	MW
2-3:15 p.m.	MW
3-4:45 p.m.	MW
10-12:40 p.m.	F
8-9:15 a.m.	TR
9:30-10:45 a.m.	TR
11-12:15 p.m.	TR
1-2:15 p.m.	TR
2:30-3:45 p.m.	TR
4-5:15 p.m.	TR
4-5:40/6:30 p.m.	T
4-5:40 p.m.	W
7-9:30 p.m.	T
6-8:40 p.m.	M
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6-8:40 p.m.	W
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Then your final will be:

M	May 7	8-9:50 a.m.
W	May 9	8-9:50 a.m.
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M	May 7	3-4:50 p.m.
W	May 9	10-11:30 a.m.
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R	May 10	3-4:50 p.m.
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W	May 9	3-4:50 p.m.
T	May 8	7-8:50 p.m.
M	May 7	6-7:50 p.m.
T	May 8	6-7:50 p.m.
W	May 9	6-7:50 p.m.
R	May 10	6-7:50 p.m.

Chemical imbalance not a mere illusion

Club Review

KAREN GUBER

Sports Editor

Peering out of the corner of your eye, you see a lot of people grooving the night away on the dance floor. As you sway to the rhythms, you get the unnerving feeling that someone is watching you, stalking you like a hunter in the wild. You turn, only to realize it is your own image reflecting back at you.

If you get the urge to check out Club Chemical (10th and Grand) after endlessly cruising around downtown, do not be fooled by the mirrored illusion. The club is covered in mirrors on two sides, making it seem like there are a lot of people around. In all reality, there were less than 50 people there at any given point in time.

When you hear the DJ, you will know why many club goers opted to check out other downtown venues. Dance mixes, by artists that no one could name, comprised the main playlist. Imagine hearing the same beat over and over again until 3 a.m., with no words or other rhythms to break up the monotony. It gets a little boring.

Minimal sounds of hip hop graced the sound system. Included in the tracks were the latest releases from Nelly, J-Lo and Janet Jackson.

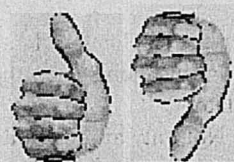
The tiered stage provides optimal levels of dance space and an awesome set-up. Plenty of room has been reserved for those who would rather chill and watch other people dance.

Chemical puts on an excellent light show, but watch out for the smoke machine. The fog will take over any and all available space, which is a lot since people are scarce, and you will not be able to see more than two inches in front of your face.

A \$6 cover gets the guys in the door, and five for the ladies. If the club would get a better DJ, who had some Ludicrous, Dre or Snoop in the mix, and a few more bodies, it would be a great place to party. It has serious potential to be a happening hotspot, once a few kinks get worked out.

Check it out for yourself. Maybe you will have better luck.

Rating:



only because it has potential

Beat the heat with a summer blockbuster

TED TOPI

Staff Writer

"And this year's winner of the best movie of the summer for 2001 goes to ... OOPS, we can't tell you that yet."

Every summer, Hollywood tries to beat the heat with a new summer blockbuster. From action to adventure, romance to drama, film-makers make movies with the intent to win the title of best movie of the summer.

This year's movies that are expected to do well are "Pearl Harbor," "The Fast and the Furious," and "Jurassic Park III."

"Pearl Harbor" is expected to be the top seller this summer. This movie falls in the action, history genre, with intense action scenes coupled with a love story. With a budget of \$145 million, "Pearl Harbor" is one of the largest budgeted movies ever made.

"Every nickel was put into production. Even the actors sacrificed to make the movie," Jerry Bruckheimer said. Expect to see many dazzling special effects and amazing action scenes when this movie hits theaters May 25.

Another flick that may cool viewers off is "The Fast and the Furious." This film was supposed to be released March 23, but was pushed back to

June 22, making it a contender for best summer movie. The film is set in Los Angeles where youth gangs take Japanese cars and fix them up as muscle cars. They then use these cars to hijack trucks and race illegally. The two plots of the movie are an undercover sting operation to break up the gangs, and a Romeo and Juliet love story between two members of rival gangs. This film should amaze viewers with its sleek modified cars, and action-packed racing.

"Jurassic Park III" will try to thrill viewers for a third time with life-like dinosaurs that overrun the country. This film is another Steven Spielberg creation. In order to keep interest in the theme, Spielberg has the dinosaurs escape the island and inhabit the mainland. He also adds a new dinosaur called the "spinosaur," that outsizes the T-Rexes. This creature is also joined by flying dinosaurs in an attempt to captivate the audience.

These films are on the "Top 10 list" for best movies of the summer. Many other films are also expected to do well. For further information on new movie releases, check out movies.com.

Just halfway

JOSHUA B. ENGLEBRAKE

Staff Writer

Ben Meade, communication program chair Dotty Hamilton, and Brian Mossman are the founders of Halfway to Hollywood, Kansas City's newest and largest film festival. The event launches its maiden voyage this June.

"It is an exhibition for lovers of film," Meade said. It will consist of showing 35 films from June 15 - 24.

"There are films for everybody. We will have some experimental films, science fiction films, some European classics and some new releases from up-and-coming artists," Meade said.

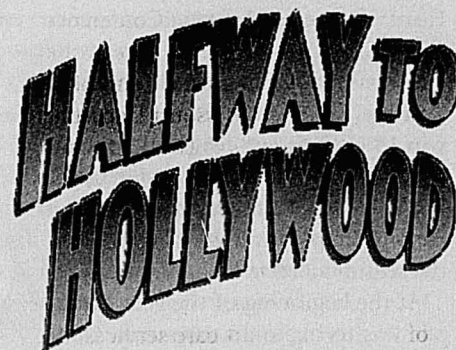
The festival idea stemmed from the fact that Meade not only loves to watch good movies but loves to make them too. The major reason for this festival is to help promote new artists and to let film lovers see things that they otherwise would not in the film industry.

"It is also to help put Kansas City on the map for showing films," Meade said.

All the films will be shown in classic, but restored, movie theaters in Kansas City. Mossman owns the Rio, Englewood, and Fine Arts theaters.

"I want some of the truly great films to be shown on the original screens that they would have first appeared on," Meade said. This element adds to the authenticity of the films and their filmmakers.

There will be some festival guest speakers as well. Filmmaker Stan Brakhage will be giving a lecture and a



www.halfwaytohollywood.com

documentary of his life will be shown. "He is one of the great filmmakers that almost all film students should know about," said Hamilton, one of the members of the Halfway to Hollywood board of directors.

One of the perks of having Avila professors involved with the festival is that some of the profit, after expenses, will go toward a scholarship for an Avila junior in the communication program.

"We want it to be a junior because we want the recipient to have another year left so that they might use the funding for a film or towards something dealing with their film major," Meade said.

This is a festival for all ages because there will be movies for kids, adults, non-film majors and film experts. For more information, log onto the website at www.halfway2hollywood.com. Also, be on the lookout for flyers with the scheduled showings and appearances in the future.

Cinco de Mayo

MELISHE' IVEY

Staff Writer

The bright-spirited trumpet and strumming sounds of mariachi come to a vibrant crescendo with the many festivities and parades celebrating Cinco de Mayo.

Cinco de Mayo is a remembrance for the Mexican army over the French at the Battle of Puebla. Although the Mexican army was eventually defeated, the "Batalla de Puebla" came to represent a symbol of Mexican unity and patriotism. With this victory, Mexico demonstrated to the world that Mexico and all Latin America were willing to defend themselves against any foreign intervention.

Cinco de Mayo is celebrated on a much larger scale in the United States than it is in Mexico. Avila will celebrate Cinco de Mayo on May 3 in the Quad during lunch hour. The activities include a moonwalk, sumo wrestling, ice cream eating contest, obstacle course, and world series. All events are sponsored by G.A.P., Business Student's Society, Student Senate, the athletics department, and the wellness program.

"G.A.P. is really excited about our end of the year event," Katie Boyle said. "We encourage students to partic-

ipate."

In the Kansas City area there are several activities ranging from family events to drinking contests. The Guadalupe Center is hosting a fiesta from noon to 8 p.m. at 1015 Avenida Cesar Chavez, located near Kemper Arena. There will be games, rides, food, music, and a petting zoo.

"This is a free, family event with plenty of fun and entertainment," Sonia Sanchez, coordinator of events, said.

Azteca de Greater Kansas City will have a youth parade that will begin at 10 a.m. in Rosedale Park, located in Kansas City, Kan. The fiesta will resume at noon and a fireworks show will follow at 9 p.m.

Rudy's, 1611 Westport Road, will celebrate the holiday with a live broadcast from MIX 93.3 and honor drink and dinner specials all day. The management at Rudy's will also be giving away T-shirts, hats, sunglasses, and bottle openers.

"We have a big turnout every year," Melissa White, bartender, said. "Come on out, we guarantee fun."

Baseball takes second after ending season slump

CELECCIO HERNANDEZ

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Avila's baseball team is back in winning form and near the top of the Heart of America Athletic Conference (HAAC).

The baseball team started the year in a slump, but has turned it around to win 14 of their last 17 games and are ranked second in their division of the HAAC. The team is currently 15-12 in conference play and 25-18 overall as the season starts to wind down.

"At the beginning of the year everyone was trying to do too much. Once our backs were to the wall everyone came together and now we are starting to play like a team," right fielder Nick Zicarelli said.

"We had a goal to get hot at the right time. To get hot when it counted," pitcher Casey Berry said. "We started to when the games mattered."

The Eagles beat Benedictine College (4-3 and 1-0) in a double header to take second place.

"The games against Benedictine showed we had a lot of heart. It showed we could compete with any-

one," Berry said. "Each player held himself accountable to win the game. Each did everything he could to win."

"Us beating Benedictine to pull ahead of the conference was a great accomplishment and we plan to use that momentum to carry us through the conference championship," outfielder Josh Ballinger said.

In the championship the top four teams in the HAAC will battle for the conference title and move on in the playoffs.

"Hopefully we'll get further than last year. Last season was a disappointment. We worked so hard to get to the World Series. We fought hard, but we didn't make it," Berry said. "This year we didn't start off so well, but we didn't give up on ourselves or the coaches."

"Finally we are playing like we have been capable of playing all year long," Ballinger said.



Second baseman Shawn Szot makes the catch but misses the out against Benedictine.

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Brandon Clevenger

JEREMIAH MILES

Staff Writer

Growing up in Lawson, Mo., Brandon Clevenger found his way to Avila College after he was recruited for his athletic ability. Other schools were also interested in him, but they wanted him to play football. Avila wanted him for their baseball team.

"My recruitment, as well as liking the coaches and not having to move far from home, helped me choose Avila," Clevenger said.

Although no one person inspired him to play baseball, Clevenger's mother first got him involved in the sport when he was five by signing him up for Little League. From then on, he has always loved the game and is very thankful that his parents gave him the opportunity to become involved in sports as a child.

Clevenger was a catcher until his junior year of high school. Since then, he has played first base and continues to play the position for the Eagles.

Before coming to Avila, Clevenger did not know what to expect from the baseball program. The Eagles ended their 2000 season with a 50-21 record, awarding them the achievement of first place in the Midland Collegiate Athletic Conference. Clevenger was also named as second team all-conference.

"Brandon is a hard worker, deserving of his recognition," pitcher Eric Findlay said. "He is always at practice and never misses a game, putting the team before himself. I have seen him improve from when I first joined the



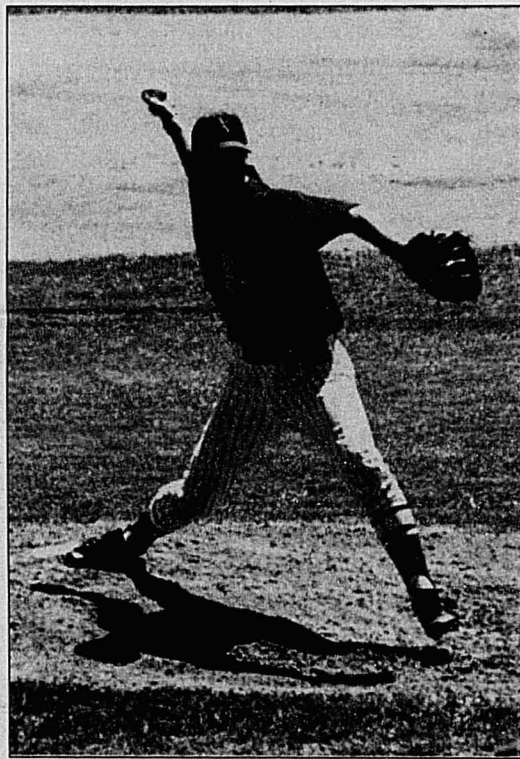
photography by: Andrew Marx

team in the spring of 1999. He is my hero."

He is also noted as being a person who brings laughter to the team. "His sense of humor is relaxing for the team, yet he can get us fired up before games," pitcher Justin Thurman said.

In addition to playing baseball, Clevenger is active in the wellness program and has been on the Dean's List. Finding time to do it all and at his best is the biggest struggle Clevenger has faced during college. His advice to underclassmen having similar problems of balancing sports and their studies is to "stick it out because everything works out in the end."

"Getting to know your teachers is very helpful because they can help you and work with you more than you realize," Clevenger added.



Casey Berry winds up for the pitch against William Jewell. Berry earned a shutout in the 3-0 win. The team swept the double header (3-0 and 5-4) to take the top spot in the HAAC. After completing two rain delays, the Eagles fell to the number two spot to finish the regular season.

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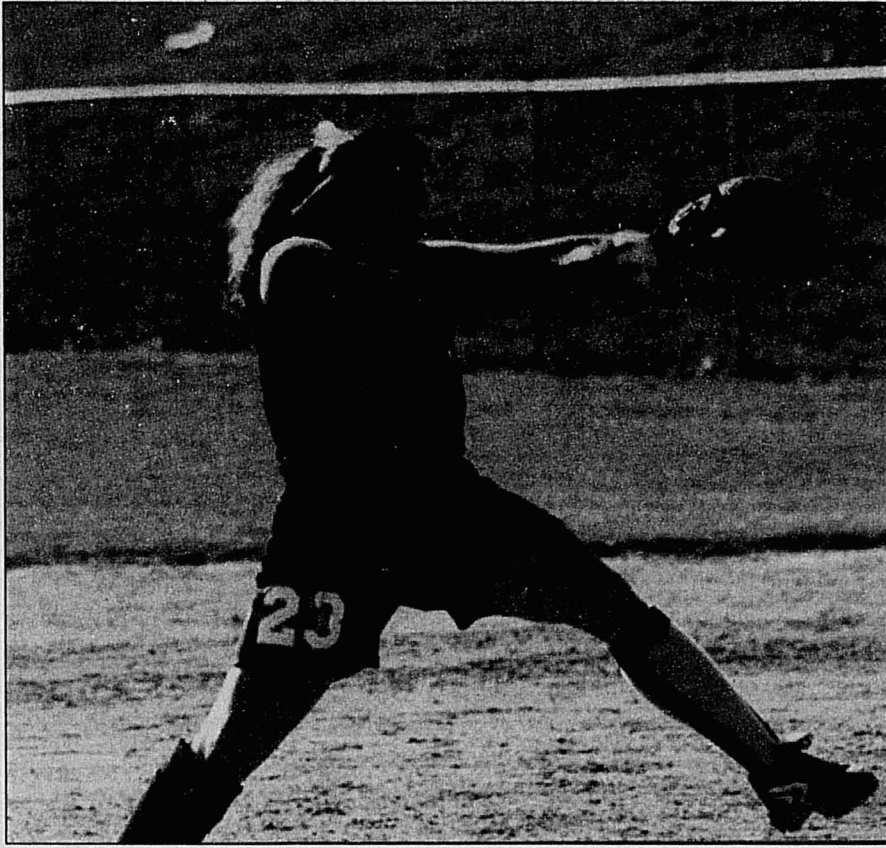


Brad Daisa slides safely into second against William Jewell.

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Lady Eagles head for HAAC playoffs

RYAN JACKSON
Staff Writer



Melissa Vasko winds up to deliver the pitch.

photography by: Karen Guber

Coming down the stretch, the Lady Eagles softball team is looking forward to the Heart of America Athletic Conference (HAAC) tournament. Their record is 16-22 overall and 8-10 in conference.

The conference is a close race with Evangel University ranked number one with a record of 8-3. The Lady Eagles are ranked seventh in the conference but, with two recent wins over Benedictine, may be bumped up to the number four spot.

"It is anyone's conference. There are not really any dominant teams that are running away with it," captain Jinny Chapman said.

The weather has been a thorn in their sides over the last couple of weeks.

"Almost half of our games had to be rescheduled because of the weather," pitcher Erica Goeckeritz said. But she does not think that it has affected performance.

The Lady Eagles are preparing for the conference tournament which will take place in Springfield, Mo.

"We still have a chance at regionals if the conference tournament goes well," Goeckeritz said.

The Lady Eagles recently played in the 2001 East-West Round Robin Tournament at the Johnson County Complex in Shawnee, Kan. Competing in three conference matches, the team took a hard hit. They lost three in a row, to Lindenwood (5-0), Graceland (6-4), and Culver Stockton (7-1).

They followed up that action with two more games, which they split. The first was a loss to Central Methodist 2-1, but they came back to end the weekend with a shutout win over Missouri Valley (3-0).

All the teams in the HAAC will play in the double elimination tournament.

"We have a pretty good shot in the conference tournament since all the teams are so close together," Chapman said.

"This is the best [the team] has gotten along since I have been at Avila. We are one big group of sisters," Goeckeritz said.



Keri Wien gets the out at first against Mid-America Nazarene.

photography by: Karen Guber



Katie Krawczyk (12) scores a run on a single from Becky Wywadis (20).

photography by: Karen Guber



Catcher Jennifer Dusenberg gloves the strike for the out.

Overseas adventure awaits Avila students

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A handful of Avila students will be traveling to Ireland this summer to earn three hours of theology credit. Mary Hynes is heading up the group as they prepare for departure on June 5.

Hynes posted several flyers throughout campus inviting students to sign up for the trip overseas. Students were drawn to the idea of going to Ireland on the 10-day trip for \$1,883. The fee covers all transportation expenses, breakfasts and dinners, and lodging in Ireland.

The students arrive in Dublin and make their way around the Irish grasses throughout their trip. They will travel by bus from one town to the next, and on the last day, they will return to Dublin for departure.

They also will be learning about the religious trials of the country's past and

present. There will be a focus on Catholicism, and Hynes would like to visit several monasteries throughout Ireland.

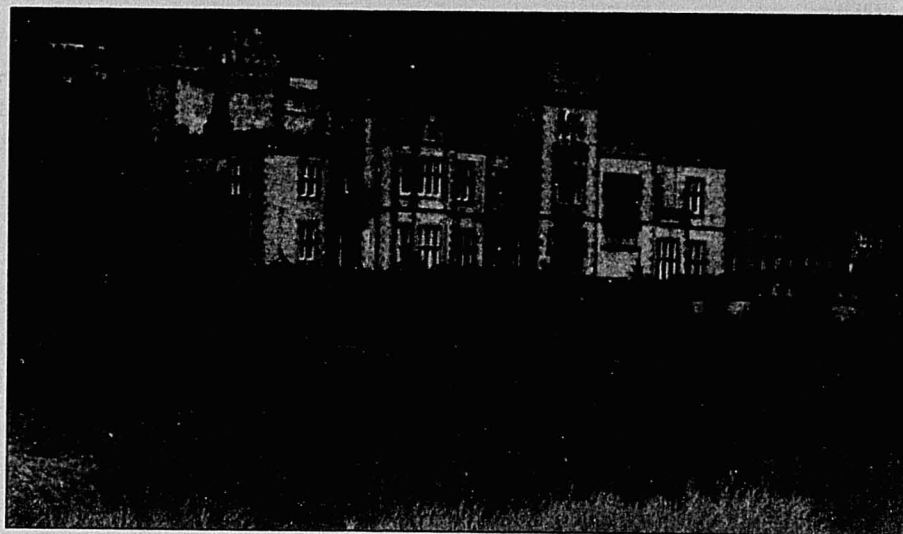
"I wanted to see other parts of the world, and this is a really good and inexpensive opportunity," junior Tekia Thompson said.

Thompson looks forward to seeing the Irish scenery and learning more about their culture.

"I've never been outside of the country...this is something I have been really excited about," Thompson said.

Kristen Donnelly, junior, is also making her first trip outside the country to go to Ireland. She has some Irish ancestry, and she saved up for months so she could go.

"I don't think I'll ever get another opportunity like this...I want to see



Ireland is home to many beautiful castles.

Blarney Castle, I've heard so much about it," Donnelly said. "Anytime you travel, you gain a better understanding of yourself and of other cultures."

Both Thompson and Donnelly still need to get their passports. They are anxiously waiting for them to arrive in the mail.

The challenges of a transitional student

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As the 50-something woman opens the closet door, she pushes past the power suits to grab a pair of jeans.

After 15 years of wear, the power suits are of no use to her. She no longer has a company car in the driveway, a laptop at her fingertips or an expense account at her disposal. Her salary has plummeted overnight from \$37,000 to \$12,000.

"Next to the death of a relative or friend, there's nothing more traumatic than losing a job," writes Elisabeth Kirschner in *Chemical & Engineering News Employment Outlook*.

Americans never imagine that this could happen to them, but for Lora Walker, losing her job was a sobering reality. Walker is now the administrative assistant to the Avila cafeteria general manager and a full-time student.

Each day at exactly 7 a.m., Walker bustles into the cafeteria office armed with a tower of books for her daily classes. She hangs up her coat and puts on her name tag. Then she whisks out to the student check-in table and greets the students with a smile and, "How are you today?"

Tennis shoes, a check-off list and a quickly inhaled lunch between classes replace the dress-for-success look, a briefcase, and the power lunches. In one short year, Walker has gone from being a corporate executive to a full-time college student with a part-time job.

After the football team's early morning workouts, Celeccio Hernandez enjoys walking into the cafeteria and being greeted by a smile and someone who knows his name.

"Lora gives you that touch of home-away-from-home," Florida native Hernandez said.

Walker is not alone in her job loss. "A tactic for externalizing costs is through 'downsizing,' a process by which the U.S. Fortune 500 companies reduced their total employment by 4.4 million jobs between 1990 and 1993,"

writes David C. Korten, author of "When Companies Ruled the World."

After receiving the depressing news of her pending unemployment from Transamerica Real Estate Tax Service, Walker wondered what to do with her future.

"The emotion that I experienced the most was anger. How dare they show me the door, after 15 years of loyalty and personal sacrifice?" Walker said.

She mulled over her job possibilities and options with Sue Brown, a peer in the same predicament.

"This is the greatest thing that ever happened to you. You've always wanted to go back to college," Brown said to Walker.

Walker could think of no better way to use her severance pay. She invested in a good computer and the tuition to complete the associate's degree that she had begun over 20 years ago. This led Walker first to Longview Community College.

Before graduating in May, 2000, she spoke with Longview's education adviser. Walker wondered where to continue her education and was told that she could get a degree at any school in Missouri, but Avila was the answer for becoming an outstanding teacher.

"Sometimes I feel like a dancing bear in the circus balancing all my obligations on a large rubber ball," Walker said. This has not been an easy transition for Walker. She is a wife and mother in addition to being a full-time student and having a part-time job.

Because Walker is older, she faces the additional challenges of lower energy levels and a reduction of short-term memory which is vital for academic success. "Non-traditional students set higher expectations for themselves; they know what they want and have made the commitment to focus on their education," said Sue Franklin, coordinator of college skills in Avila's Student Resource Center.

"We expect more out of ourselves because we are at a point in our lives that if we went the traditional route, we would now be on autopilot," said Deanna Schmidt, 56, another of Avila's non-traditional students who is majoring in general studies with an emphasis on psychology and sociology. Schmidt's tuition is covered by two scholarships. One is an academic scholarship and Avila offers the other for non-traditional students over 55, leaving a small portion for her to pay out-of-pocket.

The need to excel in every aspect of her life places an extra burden on her shoulders, yet she loves the stimulating atmosphere of learning. Walker refers to this as "being high on education."

Schmidt agrees with Walker. "Instead of retiring and challenging myself physically, I am challenging myself

mentally, starting over from scratch. Dropping classes is not in my vocabulary, I have to get the 'A' the first time," Schmidt said.

Schmidt and Walker are not alone. The age range of Avila's non-traditional students is from 25 to 75, composing half of the 1,400 students attending Avila, according to Kay Chamberlin, data coordinator in the registrar's office.

Schmidt plans to graduate in fall, 2001 and be employed in the field of gerontology.

Walker has plans to teach theater or possibly history in a rural school district after graduation in May of 2003. She is passionate about having the same quality teachers for rural school districts that are prevalent in the larger upscale districts, such as Blue Valley or Olathe, in southern Johnson County, Kan.

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"Who's Who" awarded to Avila seniors

KRISTEN REESE

Copy Editor

Hard work and dedication paid off for eight seniors. On April 1, these eight students received the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges award. The eight are: Keri Abell, Courtney Cutler, Kelli Frevert, Erika Goeckeritz, Annie Oshel, Sara Peters, Melanie Schmittling, and Melissa Villanueva.

The nominations started out with more than 75 Avila seniors. The seniors were then asked to pick the top five they thought would be deserving

of the award. There are four main categories that are looked at when the final recipients are being decided.

The first is demonstrating scholarship, the second is participation and leadership in academic and co-curricular activities, the third is citizenship and service to Avila and the community, and the last is their potential for future achievement.

"It was an honor for me to win the award because my mom won the award when she was in college,"

Cutler said.

The eight recipients were asked to fill out a form for a book that lists all the award winners from around the United States. It gives a short biography on each beneficiary.

"Not only am I walking away with two degrees, but I feel I have made a positive impact on the school, particularly in the theater department," Villanueva said.

These eight women have worked hard to achieve success.

"I had to balance a job, family life, extra-curricular activities, and still make good grades," Schmittling said.

"I am dedicated. I give a lot of time and energy to everything I am involved in," Villanueva said.

The Who's Who is one of the most distinguished awards in the academic society.

"It is an honor to know that other students and faculty think I am qualified," Schmittling said.

Homeward bound

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Staff Writer

A group of about 15 women gather in Ridgway's fourth floor lounge, in preparation for a meeting. As they calmly drink their sodas, situate themselves in their chairs, and discuss the news of the day with friends, the noise of the room is broken when a question is suddenly posed to the group.

"What are your thoughts as you prepare to head home for the summer?"

After a lengthy, uncomfortable silence, a freshman asks, "How will I survive?"

There is nothing like going home after living here."

This was the discussion at the final Womenspeak Forum on April 18. The topic of the forum was "Successfully Navigating the Perils of Going Home."

In the meeting, one of the moderators, Carol Frevert, said, "The reasoning behind this final Womenspeak topic is that it's on everyone's mind right now. What's going to happen? How am I going to deal with it? It is something that everyone has to face someday and in some way."

Along with the preparation of returning home for the summer, come the questions and concerns of how it will work out. For the past nine months, students have had no one to answer to but themselves. They have set their mealtimes, bedtimes, study times, and party times. What will it be like to suddenly be back under Mom and Dad's roof?

"I think I am going to feel trapped in many ways," freshman Betsy Rechten said. "I've had a taste of freedom, and now, it's just going to be taken away."

Family therapist Carleton Kendrick from www.familyeducation.com suggests that students and parents need to discuss boundaries before the students return home.

"I would extend their understanding based upon their newfound independence as a college student but I would also suggest that you establish some

'common courtesy' rules of behavior and family responsibility with them," writes Kendrick.

Along with the challenges of facing parents again, many students may find it difficult to face their friends again. Leaving the friends made in school behind, and discovering that old friends have changed or moved on, it may be difficult to relate to them again.

"The most important thing that freshmen

men need to realize when they go home is that they are coming home a different person," junior Sarah Thompson said. "Both you and your friends have changed, and although it may take time, you will eventually be able

to recognize and appreciate your new differences."

Mark Evans of the University of Oregon Counseling Center at www.uoregon.edu states that while the social changes in your life may be difficult, "It also presents opportunities, such as discovering new interests, stretching our social horizons, or letting ourselves explore the places and pursuits that live only in our fantasy life."

After a hearty two hour discussion on the topic of going home, the Womenspeak group concluded with Cathy Bogart, director of women's studies, handing out a passage of "Letters to a Young Poet," by Rainer Maria Rilke.

To many there the first sentence was the most powerful. It reads, "Rejoice in your growth, in which you naturally can take no one with you, and be kind to those who remain behind, and be sure and calm before them and do not torment them with your doubts and do not frighten them with your confidence and joy, which they could not understand."

Work-study

MELISHE' IVEY

Staff Writer

Imagine making extra money while gaining flexibility, financial aid assistance, and enhanced campus involvement. Students can get these benefits and others by participating in the Avila work-study program. The program is administered by Avila to give student jobs. This hands-on program has made the program successful because it has few federal regulations.

"Work-study is good career training that can lead to a full time position here at Avila," Sara Miller, coordinator of financial aid services, said. According to Miller, students should also take advantage of the program to enhance campus involvement.

Work-study has two programs available. Students who are in need of financial assistance can receive aid from the federal government through work-study. In the other program, Avila funds the wages for students who do not need the financial assistance.

To apply for work-study, students file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form (FAFSA) and choose their top three choices from the list of

participating departments.

Students are paid once a month for their work at an hourly wage of \$5.15. Freshmen are allotted eight hours a

week or \$1,200 a school year.

Sophomores through seniors are allotted 10 hours a week or \$1,540 a school year.

"The hours are flexible. They work with my school and sport schedule," Angela Mabre said.

"I like the program because it gives me a chance to get to meet students and faculty members," biology major Rebecca Reed said. "I encourage others to get involved. It is a good experience."

An expectation of a work-study position is to treat the job as if it were just like any other by showing up on time and contacting supervisors if late. The employers also expect the students to do the assigned work.

"We care about the students being students first and not just employees," Miller said.

Those wanting more information about work-study, can contact the Financial Aid office at (816) 501-3600.

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MCMA Awards

These students won awards for their writing, design, and photography work in division three of the Missouri College Media Association. Megan Redenbaugh- First place, Feature Writing; Courtney Cutler- Second place, Entertainment Review; Karen Guber, Jessica Palmer, Therese Cox- Second place, Photo page; Amy Young (2000 graduate)- 2nd place, Editorial Writing; Karen Guber- Third place and Honorable Mention, Sports Photography; Andrew Marx- Honorable Mention, News Photography; Jeremy Lillig- Honorable Mention, Entertainment Review; Jessica Palmer, Therese Cox, and Sarah LaFontaine- Honorable Mention, Editorial Page; and Jessica Palmer, Therese Cox, and Robert Brannon (2000 graduate)- Honorable Mention, Photo page.

Check out what is going on in Kansas City this summer

Fun in the sun

Worlds of Fun

Open weekends through May 20, and opens for the summer May 21. Sunday through Friday opens at 10 a.m., Saturday at 10 a.m. Closing times vary by specific dates. Ticket prices are \$33.50 for a single-day ticket, \$16.50 twilight after 4 p.m., \$65 for an individual season passport, \$6 for single-day parking or \$25 for a season parking pass, \$30 for a season passport to add Oceans of Fun. For additional information call (816)454-4545, ext. 5220 or log on at www.worldsoffun.com.

Oceans of Fun

Open for the season starting May 26. Tickets are \$22.95 for a single-day, \$15.95 twilight after 4 p.m., \$65 for an individual season passport, \$6 for single-day parking or \$25 for a season parking pass, \$30 for a season passport to add Worlds of Fun. For additional information call (816)454-4545, ext. 5220, or check out www.oceansoffun.com.

What's new at the zoo

Mother's Day at the zoo

Moms receive a dollar off regular admission on May 13, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Regular ticket prices are \$6 Adult, \$3 Youth (3-11), and free for 2 and under.



Nocturnal safaris

Friday and Saturday evenings, May 25 through Sept. 29. Spend the night at the zoo and experience an unforgettable African adventure. Ticket prices - \$35 per person living in Kansas City, \$40 per person not living in Kansas City, and \$30 per person for FOTZ (Friends of the Zoo) members or groups of 20 persons or more. Call (816)531-5700, ext. 24673 for more information.

Kansas City Zoo photo contest

From June 1 through Aug. 31 snap a picture of your favorite animal at the zoo and enter the photo contest. For more information, call (816)513-5701.

JAZZOO

June 1, 7:30 p.m. to midnight, this black-tie, charitable gala promises the best of nature, food and fun. Must be 21 years of age to attend. Call (816)513-5800 for ticket and corporate sponsorship information.

Sunset safaris

Thursday evenings, June 7 through Aug. 16 from 5 - 8:30 p.m., enjoy cooler temperatures and live music. Free with regular zoo admission ticket price.

China: The Panda Adventure

Opens June 9 at the Sprint IMAX theatre. Ticket prices are \$6 Adults, \$5 seniors, and \$4 children. Call (816)513-IMAX for show times.

Father's Day at the zoo

All dads receive a dollar off regular admission June 17, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Ice cream safari

Aug. 4, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., cool off with sweet treats from Blue Bunny and help raise money for the zoo's animals. In addition to the regular admission price to the zoo, tickets are \$3 for an ice cream safari punch card, \$6 for an ice cream safari punch card and a Blue Bunny Beanie Baby, or \$10 for an ice cream safari punch card, a Blue Bunny Beanie Baby and an event T-shirt.

Under the stars

Elton John & Tim Rice's AIDA

June 27 - July 8, (no performance on July 4), show times vary. Ticket prices are to be announced. Call (816) 997-1100 for more information.

The Best Little

Whorehouse in Texas

July 9 - July 14, starring Ann-Margret.

Casper

July 16 - July 22, starring Chita Rivera.



www.kcstarlight.com

A Chorus Line

July 23 - July 29, show times vary.

My Fair Lady

Aug. 6 - Aug. 12, show times vary.

Summer concert series

Kenny Wayne Shepherd

5/11, Ameristar Hotel & Casino

G Love & Special Sauce

5/11, City Market

George Strait Country Music Festival (George Strait, Alan Jackson, Brad Paisley, LeAnn Womack, Sara Evans, & others)

5/12, Arrowhead Stadium

Styx & Bad Company

5/13, Sandstone Amphitheater

Loretta Lynn

5/19, Ameristar Hotel & Casino

Temptations & the Marvelettes

5/19, Midland Theater

Deana Carter

5/20, Beaumont Club

KPRS Hip Hop Jam 2001 (K-Ci & JoJo, John B., & Cappadonna)

5/23, Starlight Theater

Living Sacrifice, Project 86, & Stavesacre

5/24, Youth Front

Grand Funk Railroad

6/01, Ameristar Hotel & Casino

Volunteer Jam 2001 (Charlie Daniels Band/38 Special/Dickey Betts Band)

6/03, Sandstone Amphitheater

Donny Osmond

6/07, Starlight Theater

Ozzfest 2001 (Black Sabbath, Marilyn Manson, Slipknot, Papa Roach, Linkin Park, Crazy Town, & others)

6/19, Sandstone Amphitheater

Chad Brock

6/20, Beaumont Club

Red, White, & Boom 6 (artists will be announced 5/6)

6/23, Sandstone Amphitheater

Beach Boys

6/24, Starlight Theater

Poison, Warrant, Quiet Riot, Enuff z'nuff

6/27, Sandstone Amphitheater

Oldies 95 Band Blast! (Tommy James, The Turtles, The Grass Roots, Gary Puckett, & the Buckingham)

7/01, Sandstone Amphitheater

Jonny Lang & Brody Buster

7/04, City Market

Aaron Carter, A*Teens, & Leslie Carter

7/05, Memorial Hall

The String Cheese Incident & Widespread Panic

7/06, Sandstone Amphitheater

N'SYNC

7/10, Arrowhead Stadium

Sons of the Desert

7/11, Beaumont Club

Janet Jackson & 112

7/14, Sandstone Amphitheater

Brooks & Dunn, Toby Keith, Montgomery Gentry, Keith Urban, & Cledus T. Judd

7/15, Sandstone Amphitheater

Rod Stewart

7/16, Sandstone Amphitheater

Aerosmith & Fuel

7/21, Sandstone Amphitheater

Warren Brothers

7/26, Beaumont Club

Journey, Peter Frampton, & John Waite

7/28, Sandstone Amphitheater

Eric Clapton, Doyle Bramhall II, & Smokestack

7/28, Kemper Arena

Brian Setzer

7/29, Beaumont Club

70s Soul Jam (Stylistics, Dramatics, Chi-Lites, Mannhattans, & Impressions)

8/04, Starlight Theater

James Taylor

8/15, Sandstone Amphitheater

Jim Brickman

8/18, Starlight Theater

Backstreet Boys, Shaggy, & Krystal

8/27, Kemper Arena

Kenny Rogers

8/31, Starlight Theater

Where is everyone going?

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"I didn't even know he was leaving." From administration to faculty to staff, where is everyone going? In the past four years, I can think of few people who have been here the whole tenure of my education. For top administrators, only Sr. Marie Joan Harris remains as vice president and academic dean. The other vice presidents are new, for fiscal and student life, with Tim Berry's position in advancement still being filled. Even the president is new with Tom Gordon replacing Larry Kramer.

It is to be expected that a small school, like Avila College, would have

a high turnover rate. But in the past two years, there has been an enormity.

How much is too much? From George Chrisman to Judy Munshower to Frank Yeatman, every department seems to be losing a long-time staff member. From Benny Shivers in the bookstore to Blake Fry in student life, to Anthony Hall for residence life and intramurals, staff members seem to be dropping like flies. In the past year, almost all the admissions office staff has changed as well.

Some people are leaving for better positions at different institutions, such as Blake Fry, to further their career.

Possibly, some individuals left to make a better living, like Mike Crozier.

Other people are leaving because it was time to retire, like former dean Tom Lease and former head of maintenance Art Schlumpberger. Then there are individuals who are leaving for their family, like Anthony Hall and Ed Higgins. There are some who just left, and the students did not even know they were leaving until they were gone, like Cynthia Hukill from the music program.

What is going to happen to Avila? Who is left to lead us into the fray? There are also changes within divi-

sions. Laura Sloan has stepped down as the chair of the Education/ Psychology division and Karen Garber-Miller is accepting it. Humanities has changes on the rise as well. Nancy Cervetti will be the new chair, instead of Carol Coburn. Some of the people leaving, or who have left, were with Avila for years.

Only time will tell if the changes are for the best. Optimistically, positions are being filled with quality individuals, like Joe Deighton for student life, who exemplify the Avila mission and values. But, what will the cost be, in the long run?

Campus Talk

KARA ANDERSON & MEGAN BRIDGE

How can Avila mix the different departments?



I think we should have a really big party. That way people can make new friends.
Jaclyn Humphrey
Freshman
Paralegal Studies

Activities that will bring the students and teachers down to earth. Things to establish friendships, such as pie throwing, sliming, and dunk tanks.
Julian Jackson
Junior
Marketing



I think that there should be a happy hour time, so that people can go and have free sodas and coffee while interacting at the same time.
Marie Comargo
Freshman
Nursing

Set aside a social time where students and teachers get together. A great time would be during orientation week.
Josh Ellington
Freshman
Computer Science



Have more all campus events so that all departments, no matter what major, can get together and have a good time.
Katie Boyle
Senior
Elementary Education



I think that we should have intramurals against each department.
Yuki Yamada
International Student
Undeclared

There are more things to worry about

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With everything that has been going on with this country in the last few months, should people be worried? Should people be upset that American pilots were held by China? This is something that every person will have to judge for him or her self. What I do know is that people should at least know that these situations are going on.

When the pilots were still being held, I was sitting in class listening when this subject came up. As I sat there and listened to the lecture, the professor challenged class members to speak out on what they felt about the situation.

The very first person to speak up began talking about how she felt. She talked and she talked and she talked. She was against the Chinese standpoint, which does not bother me. What bothered me is when the incident with us bombing their embassy came up, she had no clue what anyone was talking about. She was not the only one, there were about 5 people in a class of 15 that had no clue. Are we that out of touch with our country's affairs?

The people in this class seemed to have heard a piece of news on the radio or television before flipping the channel and then they wanted to speak up in class as though they were in the plane when the pilots were struggling to land. Everyone is entitled to speak their own opinion, but when people are crossing stories and saying things such as, "Well, I know for a fact that...." I get irritated.

Have we turned into robots? Why do

we feel that we can listen to the "MTV News Update" that lasts two minutes and covers eight topics and be caught up on the story? People

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no longer think for themselves. We walk around with our little daily update information in our head, waiting for someone to bring the subject up so we can share our "wisdom." People do yourself a favor; think for yourself. Listen to the whole news show, read a magazine that is not "Mad TV" to get the foreign affair news, and study up on the facts. Just because you hear it, does not make it true.

Is America a free country?

NICK BAUM

Staff Writer

I thought America was a free country. Besides my mom, when did people tell me where to sleep? Oh wait...I guess Avila is my mom.

The administration is always telling people when to start something or when to stop something. They are saying when, or even if, they can practice in the gym, what classes they have to take (classes that are not even related to their major) in an effort to "better" the student. I am paying Avila, therefore, it should be what classes I want to take, when I want to practice in the gym, and especially where I want to sleep.

Freshmen are not allowed to room with upperclassmen. That is the Avila rule. People should be able to room with whomever they want. As a freshman, I started rooming with another freshman. Things did not work out, so I wanted to room with another one of my friends...a sophomore. I talked to all the officials in charge, all the way up to Joe Deighton, vice president and dean of student affairs. They all told me that freshmen cannot live with upperclassmen. The reason behind this is that freshmen need to get acquainted with college life.

News Flash!!! Avila is not a real college.

News Flash!!! Avila is not a real college. It is like high school and there is nothing to get acquainted with. Another reason given was that freshmen need to be on the same floor with the other freshmen, so they can learn about all the events that go on throughout the semester. I am pretty sure that if you live anywhere in

Carondelet Hall, you would hear of all the same events.

What is the difference between an apartment and a dorm?

There is not

one...except at Avila. If I wanted to rent an apartment, they do not care what or who my roommate is. There should not be any difference between an apartment and an Avila dorm room, except that the dorms are more expensive. Oh wait. Everything at Avila is more expensive, right?

Just think about it. Who really cares? If someone wants to live with a sophomore, let him or her do it. It is not like someone is doing something horrible like killing someone. Since Avila College is getting our money for tuition and room and board, the administration should listen to the students and stop being our mothers!

Physical fitness at Avila

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Avila College may stress mental education but it has a lack of physical education. Many of us recently visited our advisers to plan for our future at Avila. Most of what was on our minds was "What classes should I be taking to get me one step closer to graduation?" College can put a lot of pressure and stress on many of us.

One of the best ways to keep our bodies stress free, mentally ready, and in good health for years to come is by exercising. So why does the school stress academics and not physical fitness?

Looking over the fall class schedule there is just about anything you would want or need to take, but one department that we at Avila do not have is a physical fitness department.

Weight lifting classes taught by knowledgeable instructors would be a great start. We have qualified people to teach these types of classes.

Tim Johnson, the head coach for the

football team, is also a full time staff member. He has lots of experience in the field of weight training and could offer a one credit hour class to students.

Personal fitness classes would also be helpful to students. In these classes students would be responsible for recording workout time and classes like CPR, muscle fitness, circuit training would be offered. Working out and classes on how to take care of your body combine to offer students the opportunity to have a healthy experience at school.

Avila does not offer enough support in the way of fitness for students. There are yoga and aerobic classes that meet in the evening. These classes are only offered at limited times and at the convenience of the instructors.

Avila is growing and with the new growth, the fitness and the future health of the students should be a focus.

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